

## REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Hao et al. (US 5,844,553).

The claims are amended, and, thus, the pending claims remain for reconsideration, which is requested.

The independent claims are 1, 2, and 7.

A set of reaction of Hao (Done in version 2.0 and Safe File and Cancel in version 1.0; col. 12, lines 25-34 and col. 11, lines 29-31) is stored at only IEP 115 (WORKSTION 110) and is not stored at another workstation. Hao discusses an application sharing technology, and control of the application sharing technology is centralized (see line 7 of abstract of Hao). In Hao, all applications of all workstations process same action based on INPUT EVENT received from IEP 115 of WORKSTION 110 (see, for example, col. 5 lines 1-30, and col. 9, lines 48-53 of Hao). In contrast, according to the embodiments of the invention each computer (or object) can process a different action based on its own processing content matched with the received indicia from a common communication path.

In addition, format of INPUT EVENT of Hao is different depending upon application programming interface (API) (see col. 10, lines 32-47 of Hao). On the other hand, according to the embodiments a format of an indicia of operation is same among computers (or objects).

Claim 1 is amended. A prima facie case of anticipation based upon Hao cannot be maintained, because it is readily apparent that Hao does not expressly discuss the above feature of claim 1. In addition, there no evidence has been found in Hao that Hao inherently or necessarily requires "where a format of the first and second sets of reactions includes a subject, a verb, one or more objects and processing content; ... in response to the performing one or more operations at the third computer, generating a transmission, sent via a common communication path common to the first, second and third computers, comprising that includes an indicia of the one or more performed operations by one of the first, second and third computers and information operated on by each of the one or more operations, a format of the indicia of operation including a subject, a verb, and one or more objects; and at the first each first, second and third computer, detecting the transmission received upon receiving an indicia of operation via the common communication path, and determining whether the received indicia of

operation included in the received transmission corresponds to at least one of the first set of reactions matches a processing content of the independently stored set of reactions, and if it does, retrieving the matched processing content and performing an execution using the processing content matched with the received indicia of operation.” For example, FIG. 2 and 3 support the embodiments. A benefit of the embodiments is possible to form a flexible cooperative system without considering relationships between the transmitting side and receiving side (see page 30, line 22 – page 31 line 1 of Specification). Withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1 is requested.

Independent claims 2 and 7 are amended with limitations similar to the discussed limitations of amended claim 1. The remaining dependent claims inherit the patentable recitations of their respective base claims, and therefore, patentably distinguish over the cited art for the reasons discussed above in addition to the additional features recited therein.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,  
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